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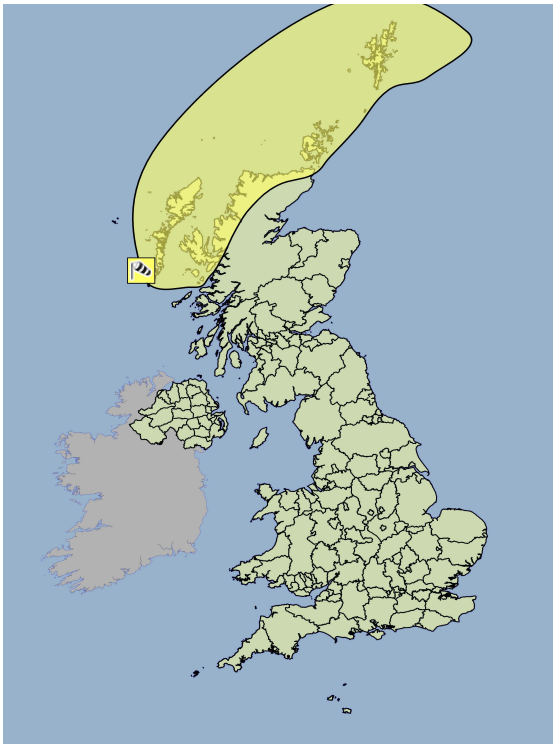

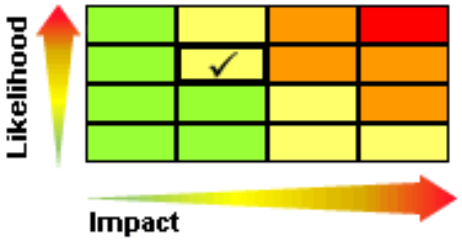

Chief Forecasters Assessment
A cold, deeply unstable airmass will cross northern parts of Scotland this afternoon, bringing a combination of squally showers, hail and snow, as well as some very strong gusts of wind in places. Conditions should ease steadily later in the day.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Wind**

Valid from **11:00 on Fri, 07th Mar 2014** until **18:00 on Fri, 07th Mar 2014**

Strong west or southwesterly winds will affect the western Isles and parts of the northwest Scottish mainland from late morning into the afternoon. The strongest winds will spread to the Northern Isles later in the afternoon, before easing this evening.

Gusts may exceed 70 mph near heavy, squally showers, these falling as rain, sleet, hail and snow, the latter especially over high ground, where some accumulations are likely. The public should be aware of the tricky travel conditions caused by this combination of weather hazards.

The public should be aware of the possibilty of some localised disruption to transport.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

Issued by the Met Office at 09:55 on Fri, 07th Mar 2014

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